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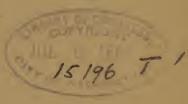
PRIMARY GEOGRAPHY,

For Teachers' Use.

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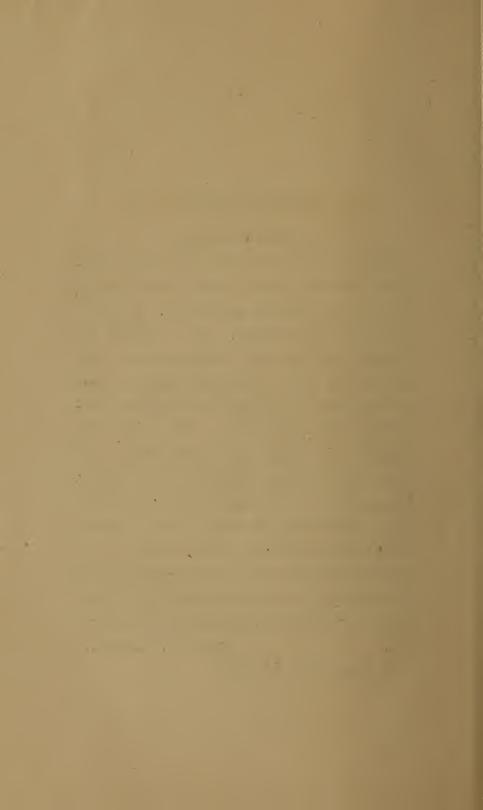
PREFACE.

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TO THE TEACHER.

This work is intended for the use of primary teachers, whose pupils are too young to use a text-book in geography. It is objective in its teaching, and is suitable for teachers all over the United States. The answers to most of the questions are given, so as to save the teacher the trouble of consulting other geographies. The writer has taught oral geography considerably, and knows these methods will give good results. They follow correct laws of obtaining knowledge, going from the simple to the complex, from the known to the unknown, etc. Feeling that there is a lack of hand-books in oral geography, she sincerely hopes this little work may be found useful to many primary teach-EMMA L. PARDON. ers.

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ORAL INSTRUCTION IN PRIMARY GEOGRAPHY.

I. THE POINTS OF THE COMPASS.

INTRODUCTORY WORK.

First of all converse easily and readily with pupils on objects familiar to them, objects belonging to the Animal, Vegetable and Mineral Kingdoms. If pupils are very young, these easy talks may be carried to quite an extent. In this way they will become interested, and will learn to answer questions.

RELATIVE DIRECTIONS.

Then teach the relative directions Right, Left, Front, and Back, using objects in the school-room. Make sure that all know their right and left hands. Then test their knowledge, as:

Hold up right hand. Hold up left hand.

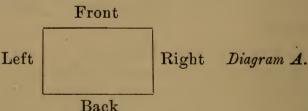
Have different pupils tell who sit on their right hand, who sit on their left hand, in front of, behind them.

In what part of the room is the teachers' desk? (Front.)

In what part of the room is the clock?

In what part of the room are the windows? the black-board? the door? and many other objects in the room that the teacher may use in her questioning.

After the pupils have a good idea of right, left, front and back, draw on the board a diagram of the top of a pupils' desk (generally oblong; if pupils' desks are of a different shape, make the diagram of a corresponding shape). Thus:—



Write the word "front" on the line that represents the front of the child's desk; "back" on the back; "right" on the righthand side, and "left" on the left-hand side.

Review all these points frequently, until well-known by all.

DIAGRAMS.

Draw next a diagram of the ceiling: this is simple. Then draw a diagram of the floor, locating the teacher's platform, rows of desks, etc. Then diagram the sides of the room, locating the windows, black-boards, or whatever the sides of the room contain. The front and back of the room may be treated in the same way: the teacher drawing the diagram on the black-board (with full explanations as to what every line represents), and the children copying them on their slates, or with paper and pencil, if preferred.

POINTS OF THE COMPASS.

When the relative directions, right, left, front, and back have been thoroughly learned, and drilled upon, then substitute the absolute directions (points of the compass), in place of them.

Ask how many have seen the sun rise? Then teach, East is where the sun rises.

Ask how many have ever seen the sun set?

Speak incidentally of the beauty of sun-sets. Teach, West is where the sun sets.

Have pupils point east, point west; face east, face west; tell who sits east of them, who sits west—being careful to call upon the backward pupils.

Then ask: If you stand facing the east, what direction is behind you? (West).

If you stand with your back to the east, what direction will be in front of you? (West.)

If you stand facing the west, what direction is at your back? (East.)

If you stand with your back to the west, what direction is in front of you? (East.)

The teacher should do this objectively: either face in these different directions herself, or call a pupil forward, and turn him or her about. Drill on these in as great variety as possible.

In close connection teach north and south. Say: "You now know east and west and how to find them. If you were in a strange place, and saw the sun rise, you would know that direction must be east, and the opposite

direction west. We have still to learn about two more directions."

Then teach, If you stand facing the east, the north is on your left hand.

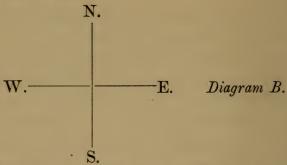
A good way to impress this is to write it on the black-board; let different pupils read it. If there is a black-board on the north side of the room, write the word North upon it; or if there is no black-board on that side, tack up a piece of white paper with the word North written largely and plainly upon it.

Ask: Who sit north of you? What objects are in the north side of the room? Point to the north. Face the north. Name pupils sitting on the north side of the room, and ask kindred questions.

Teach, If you stand facing the east, the south is on your right hand. Follow a similar method of drill as in teaching the north. Have children face south, point south, walk south, tell who sits south of them, objects in the south part of the room, etc.

Draw on the floor two straight lines crossing at right angles, one running north and south, the other east and west. Put on

the points of the compass in their respective places. Thus:



Let a pupil walk north and south; let the teacher walk, and ask in what direction she is walking. These ways of impressing the points of the compass may be extended according to the ingenuity of the teacher.

Have pupils draw again a diagram of their desk, using words right, left, front, back; then write besides these words, north, south, east, and west in their places.

"What direction is in front of you?" It may be south, if so write the word South above the word front.

"What direction is behind you?" (North.) Write North below back.

"What direction is at your right hand?" (West.) Write West on the diagram below the word right.

"What direction is on your left hand?" (East.) Write East below the word left.

South
Front

Left
East

Back
North

This simple diagram will be found a great help in fixing the directions in the mind of the child.

QUESTIONS ON THE POINTS OF COMPASS.

Where is the east? (Where the sun rises.) Point to the east.

Who sits east of you?

Who east of him or her?

Stand facing the east.

Name some object on the east side of the room.

Where is the west? (Where the sun sets.)

Point to the west.

Point to the south.

Face the north.

Who sits west of you?

Who sits south of you?

Who sits north of you?

Name some objects on the north side of the room.

Name some objects on the west side.

Name some objects on the south side.

What street (or lane) is on the east side of the school-house?

What street (or lane) is on the north side of the school-house?

What street (or lane) is on the west side of the school-house?

What street (or lane) is on the south side of the school-house?

If you face east, where is the north?

(Teach, North, south, east, and west are called points of the compass.)

In what direction is the clock from you?

In what direction is the teacher's desk from you?

On what side of the room are the windows?

On what side (or sides) are the black-boards?

On what street (or streets) is your school located?

Name some streets that run east and west.

(Teach a list of six or eight in the neighborhood of the school.)

Name some streets running north and south.

Name a street parallel to the one on which your school is.

Note:—At this period use diagram C, and place around it the streets that bound the block your school is in, putting down the street on the south of your school above the word South on the diagram; the street on the west of school-house, below the word West; the street on the north, below the word North; and the street on the east of the school, below the word East. Drill thoroughly, till they can readily answer this: Bound the block your school is in.

LOCAL GEOGRAPHY.

Then teach points of interest connected with your city or village. Its public buildings, their uses and location. The geographical surroundings of your city: rivers, canals, woods, rail-roads, what cities are near, etc. Teach the hotels, newspapers, horse-cars, occupations, number of inhabitants, principal streets.

QUESTIONS ON LOCAL GEOGRAPHY.

Name the three principal business streets of your place.

Tell in what direction each runs.

What is the place you live in called? Then draw out the idea of a city, village, etc.

What is a city? Answer. A city is a large collection of people, living in houses lying closely together.

What is a village? Answer. A village is a small collection of people, living in houses lying closely together.

Name the cities nearest your city.

Name five streets running north and south.

Name five streets running east and west.

Name four public buildings.

What is meant by a public building? (Not private but for the public good, etc.)

Locate the City Hall.

Locate the Post Office.

Locate the public library.

Name and locate a park.

On what river (if any) is your city located?

Of what use are horse-cars?

Name some occupations common in your city.

Name some mills in or near your city. Name some tools used by a carpenter. Name some tools used by a mason.

How many inhabitants has your city or village?

Locate the public market.

What are newspapers for?

Name three leading newspapers.

Name the three largest hotels in your city. Locate them.

By what streets do you go to school?

By what streets do you return home? In what directions do these streets run?

TEACH CAREFULLY.

I live in the city (or village) of ———.

I live in the county of ———.

I live in the State of ———.

I live in a country named the United States.

DIVISIONS OF LAND AND WATER.

Begin by having pupils name lakes, islands, rivers, etc., that are in the vicinity, and with which they may be already familiar. Use the molding-table in teaching all the divisions of land and water, so far as practicable; good pictures will also be a help. When the child can make the division under

consideration on the molding-table, teach him to point it out on the map, then teach the definition.

ISLAND.

How many have ever been on an island? Ask those who have been, to tell what island it was, and to tell how the island looked, what grew on it, and what was all around it. Have the class at the molding-table, with the teacher at the head, prepare for work. Let the teacher make an island, and the class form one, copying her model. (Let each child have a tin pan, and keep the table and himself perfectly clean.) If you have no molding-table, a small piece of sod on a piece of looking-glass, will give a very good idea.

(Note:—Teach that the colored part of the map stands for land, and the blue part for water; that north is at the top of the map; south is at the bottom; east is at the right hand, and west is at the left hand.)

Then teach them to point out islands on the map; use any map you may have at hand, that contains islands. Have if possible a map of your city, and teach any islands that may be thereon. The teacher may use city map in connection with local geography, finding public buildings, principal streets, parks, etc., on it. Teach a list of islands that are in your immediate vicinity. Have pupils memorize this definition: An island is a body of land entirely surrounded by water.

PENINSULA.

Use molding-table, pictures, map. Teach a list of peninsulas, as South America, Africa, Florida. Teach this definition: A peninsula is a body of land almost surrounded by water.

CAPE.

Make a peninsula or an island on the molding-table; then form a cape on it. Draw an island on the black-board making part of it extend out as a cape. Teach the formname Cape, and select capes on the different maps you may have. Give a list of capes, as Cape Cod, Cape Fear, Cape Lookout. Teach the definition: A cape is a point of land extending into the water.

CONTINENT.

Give an idea of great size, and that it contains many countries. Teach that there are two continents, the Eastern Continent and

Western Continent; the Eastern Continent contains more land than the Western; we live on the Western. Teach this definition: A continent is a great body of land. Point out on map and globe.

ISTHMUS.

Give idea that an isthmus joins bodies of land, as the neck joins the head and body. Point out on maps and globe. Teach the definition: An isthmus is a narrow neck of land that joins two larger bodies of land. Examples, Isthmus of Panama and Isthmus of Suez.

COAST OR SHORE.

Have pupils trace with a pointer the coasts of countries on maps. Teach the definition: The coast or shore is that part of the land bordering on the water.

MOUNTAINS AND HILLS.

Teacher and pupils at molding-table as before, make a hill of sand. Give a few names of hills in native place. Teach the definition: A hill is a low elevation of land. Teach: A mountain is a high elevation of land. Show how mountains are marked on maps. Have children point to mountains on maps.

Names of mountains in vicinity, if any. Teach: The bottom of a mountain is called its base. The top of a mountain is called its summit. Show base and summit on the molding-table. Teach this definition: A volcano is a burning mountain.

VALLEYS.

Form one at table. The Hudson River Valley, the Mississippi Valley, are examples. Teach the definition: A valley is the low-land between hills and mountains.

PLAINS.

A plain is a level tract of land.

DESERTS.

Explain, nothing grows on deserts except in certain spots; it is like a sea of sand. Definition: A desert is a dry sandy plain Example, Arabia.

DIVISIONS OF WATER.

RIVERS.

Almost every child has seen a river. Form at table through the midst of an island or peninsula a winding path through the sand; this may represent a river. Pictures also may be used. Point out rivers on maps.

Give names of familiar rivers, Hudson River, Mohawk river, Ohio River, Mississippi River, Delaware River, etc. Teach this definition: A river is a large stream of water. Teach also: A creek is a small stream of water. Give the names of a few creeks.

LAKES.

A lake may be easily formed amidst the sand, leaving a bare place for the lake. Have pupils select lakes from the map. Teach a list of familiar lakes, Lake George, Lake Erie, etc. Teach the definition: A lake is a body of water surrounded by land. Say that most lakes have rivers flowing into them or from them; and that the water in lakes and rivers is fresh. Teach also: A pond is a small lake.

SEA OR OCEAN.

The sea or ocean is that great body of salt water which entirely surrounds the continents and islands. Teach there are five divisions, Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, Arctic and Antarctic.

SEA, GULF, OR BAY.

Form these at table in a coast. Select them from map. Sea, gulf and bay mean about the same thing. Caribbean Sea, Gulf of Mexico, Hudson Bay, are examples. Teach this definition: A sea, gulf, or bay is a body of water nearly surrounded by land.

HARBOR.

A harbor is a bay where ships may safely anchor. New York harbor, for example.

STRAIT.

A strait or channel is a narrow passage of water joining two larger bodies of water. Davis Strait joins Baffin Bay and the Atlantic Ocean.

SOUND.

A sound is a passage of water so shallow that its depths can be easily measured.

(Note: If the teacher thinks any of the definitions of divisions of land and water are too difficult for her pupils, it might be well to omit them. This subject should be reviewed frequently.)

COUNTY.

Teach: A county is a division of a State. Teach the number and names of the townships into which your county is divided; also the number of cities and their names; teach the rivers in your county, also mountains, lakes, ponds, creeks, islands, etc., reviewing

the definitions of island, peninsula, river, etc. Teach the children to bound your county: also to draw easy out-line map of county. Give any facts of historic interest it may possess.

STATE.

Definition: A State is a division of the United States. Teach name of your State; also any special name it may have, as Pennsylvania is called the Keystone State, and New York the Empire State. Teach the number of counties in your State; teach the capital with its location; teach the chief productions; also the principal rivers, cities, mountains, etc.

(Note: that the higher the child advances, the less minutia should be taught.)

COUNTRY.

Teach that the name of our country is the United States; that it is a union of thirty-eight States; that when first formed it only contained three States, but is now one of the greatest countries in the world. The city of Washington is the capital of the United States.

THE EARTH.

Teach the earth as a whole, and that it is round like an orange, only many, many times

larger. Its surface or out-side is made up of land and water; that one-fourth of the earth's surface is land and three-fourths water; use globe and map of the hemispheres; teach the grand divisions of each continent and to point them out on globe and map; teach that the earth contains many differerent countries, which are occupied by different races of men; teach that some countries are very hot, and some very cold, some are neither too hot nor too cold and are called temperate countries; that each country has its own inhabitants,-they can live best in their own country: for example, a person in a very hot country could not live well in a cold country.

PRODUCTIONS.

Teach that scarcely anything grows in very cold countries. In hot countries, oranges, bananas, pine-apples, rice, cotton, sugar-cane, etc., grow. In temperate countries, where we live, some of the things that grow are potatoes, grapes, tea, apples, pears, plums, pears, barley, rye, oats, etc.

ANIMALS.

Some of the animals living in hot countries, are elephant, camel, lion, tiger, and leopard.

Some of the animals found in cold countries, are rein-deer, bears, wolves and foxes. Some of the animals found in temperate countries, are the buffalo, bear, deer, wolf and fox.

RACES OF MEN.

Teach there are five different races of men: white race, yellow race, black race, brown race, and red race. All will be acquainted with the white race; examples, most of the people of Europe and America. Yellow race, example, the Chinese. Black race, example, the negroes. Brown race, those living on the islands in the Pacific Ocean. Red race, example, the Indians.

DRILL QUESTIONS.

- 1. In what direction is the clock from you?
- 2. In what direction is the teacher's desk from you?
- 3. In what direction are the windows from you?
- 4. Draw a diagram of the floor of the school-room.
- 5. Name five streets running east and west.
- 6. Name five streets running north and south.

- 7. Describe your route to school, streets and directions.
- 8. Describe your route home, streets and directions.
 - 9. In what city do you live?
 - 10. What is a city?
 - 11. How many wards in your city?
 - 12. Name the Mayor of your city.
- 13. Name three occupations common in your city.
 - 14. Name three tools used by a carpenter.
 - 15. Name three tools used by a mason.
- 16. What street is south of your school-house?
- 17. What street is east of your school-house?
- 18. What street is north of your school-house?
- 19. What street is west of your school-house?
 - 20. Locate the Post Office.
 - 21. Locate the City Hall.
- 22. Locate the Public Library, (if there is one.)
 - 23. Locate the High School.
 - 24. Name four streets that run parallel.
 - 25. Where is the east?

- 26. Where is the west?
- 27. Name three hotels in your city.
- 28. In what ward do you live?
- 29. Name the three principal business streets.
 - 30. In what part of the city is the park?
 - 31. On what river (if any) is your city?;
 - 32. Name the cities nearest your city.
- 33. Name the chief newspapers in your city.
 - 34. What is done at the Capitol?
 - 35. What is done at the City Hall?
 - 36. What is done at the Post Office?
 - 37. What is a county?
 - 38. In what county do you live
 - 39. Bound your county.
 - 4c. Vame some mountains in your county.
 - 41. \ at is a mountain?
- 42. Name three or four islands in your county.
 - 43. What is an island?
 - 44. Name some creeks in your county.
 - 45. What is a creek?
 - 46. Name some rivers in your county.
 - 47. What is a river?
 - 48. Name some lakes in your county.
 - 49. What is a lake?

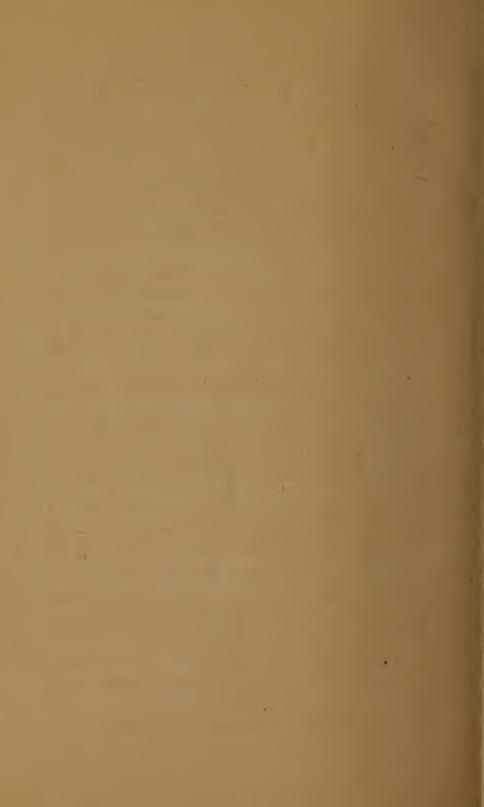
- 50. What is a pond?
- 51. Name all the cities in your county.
- 52. In what State do you live?
- 53. How many counties in your State?
- 54. How many cities in your State.
- 55. What city is the capital of your State?
- 56. What is a State?
- 57. Who is Governor of your State?
- 58. Name some rivers in your State.
- 59. Name some cities in your State.
- 60. How many States in the United States?
- 61. What is the highest officer in the country called?
 - 62. Who is President of the United States?
- 63. What city is the capital of the United States?
 - 64. What is the shape of the earth?
- 65. Of what is the earth's surface composed?
- 66. How much of the earth's surface is land?
 - 76. How much is water?
 - 68. Name the grand divisions of land.
 - 69. How many hemispheres are there?
 - 70. How many continents are there?
 - 71. In which continent do we live?

- 72. Name some things that grow in hot countries.
- 73. Name some things that grow in temperate countries.
- 74. Name some animals of the hot countries.
- 75. Name some animals of the cold countries.
- 76. Name some animals of the temperate countries.
 - 77. How many races of men are there?
 - 78. Give an example of the red race.
 - 79. Give an example of the yellow race.
 - 80. Give an example of the black race.
- 81. Name three race of men that you have seen.
 - 82. Where do the white race chiefly live?
- 83. Which race is the highest in knowledge?
 - 84. What is the sea or ocean?
 - 85. What is a harbor?
 - 86. Name a harbor.
 - 87. Name a bay.
 - 88. Name a gulf.
 - 89. Name some ponds.
 - 90. Name a desert.
 - 91. What is a desert?

- 92. Name two peninsulas.
- 93. Where is north on a map?
- 94. Where is south on a map?
- 95. Where is east on a map?
- 96. Where is west on a map?
- 97. Draw a diagram of the block your school is in.
- 98. Draw an outline map of your city (or village).
 - 99. Draw an outline map of your county.
 - 100. Of what use is it to study geography?







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The most of our teachers come to us to take advantage of what our system can do toward introducing DISCRIMINATION in the hiring of teachers. For years we have urged that this was all good teachers needed. Make sure that only well-fitted teachers shall fill a certain place, and salary will take care of itself. Toward this our Agency has already done something, and will do more. The school-board that comes to us can have the teachers of the whole country to choose from, instead of having to select from those that happen to be near by. The teacher may specify the kind of work he wants to do, and if he is well-fitted and will be patient, he can get it.

Whether this Agency is trustworthy may be judged from the fact that it has filled the following one hundred principalships in New York normal, high, and village schools, and academies, besides several times as many subordinate positions. The numbers in parenthesis show how many times we have filled the place.

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Among positions in other States may be mentioned:

For men, Jersey City, \$2600 and \$2500; Leavenworth, Ks., \$2000; Yankton, Dak.. \$1500; Peru, Neb., \$1200; Hawley, Pa., \$1000; East Orange, N. J., \$1000; Ouray, Colo., \$1000; New Orleans, La., \$1000; etc. For women, Marshalltown, Ia., \$1000; St. Joseph, Mo., \$850; Napa, Cal., \$800; Ishpenning, Mich., \$700; So. Norwalk, Ct., \$650. Among places for women in New York, we may mention Buffalo Normal, \$1200, Saratoga, \$1000, Kingston, \$800, etc.

If you want a better position, is it not fair to assume that your best method is by application to this Agency? For Announcement for 1888, Testimonial, Agency Query Box giving answers to the questions most often asked, and Application Blank, send stamp to